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In claim 15: line 15, replace "signature" with --signature; wherein the command limits the access to a single user and the access is physical to an interface of the host computer.--.

Reason for allowance

- 4. After consideration of the appellant's argument filed on December 09, 2008 in response to the Office Action mailed on August 06, 2008, and through examination of claims 1-2, 4-16, and 18-25 with respect to the prior art (Moran and Rowland) during the appeal conference and proposed examiner's amendment, claims 1-2, 4-16, and 18-25 have been found in condition for allowance over prior arts of record.
- 5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1, 10, 15 and 18 include the following features which are not taught or further suggested and would not have been obvious over prior arts of record and these features are: identifying a possible intrusion in a host and issuing a command to an operating system of said host to bring said host to a single user state wherein the command limits the access to a single user and the access is physical to an interface of the host computer.

The examiner considered and gave patentable weight for "a single user state" in light the applicant's disclosure as described in paragraph 0017 filed on February 23, 2004 which is "once an intrusion is detected an INIT 1 command is issued to the host system down to a single user state, whereby the INIT 1 command limits the access to a single user and the access is physical to the interface".